

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Thomas Smith House

AND/OR COMMON

Charles T. Stephens House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

4054 Wilkinson Road

CITY, TOWN

Havre de Grace

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
___ STRUCTURE
___ SITE
___ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE

___ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___ IN PROCESS
___ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
___ UNOCCUPIED
___ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED
___ YES: UNRESTRICTED
___ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE
___ COMMERCIAL
___ EDUCATIONAL
___ ENTERTAINMENT
___ GOVERNMENT
___ INDUSTRIAL
___ MILITARY
___ MUSEUM
___ PARK
___ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
___ RELIGIOUS
___ SCIENTIFIC
___ TRANSPORTATION
___ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Charles T. Stephens

Telephone #: 734-6922

STREET & NUMBER

4054 Wilkinson Road

CITY, TOWN

Havre de Grace

___ VICINITY OF

Maryland

STATE, zip code

21078

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This building has been extensively remodelled and very few vestiges of it's original appearance remains. The house is of two and one-half stories, facing southwards. It has a narrow eastern wing of the same height that was built about twenty years ago. The aluminum-sided house (frame underneath) is two bays by three in the original section and four bays by five overall. A high stone cellar is under the older part, serving as a ground floor entrance on the southern embrasure. The windows and the shutters are all new, the sashes being 6 X 6's. They are somewhat narrower on the southern exposure at the first floor level. Two doors are located on the cellar level; one being on the south wall and one on the north wall underneath a recent shed/shelter. This rear door has a six-pane transom. The main entrance is on the level above the cellar on the south side, resplendent with it's four-pane transom and three-pane side lights. The tin gable-flank roof has new box cornices and eaves underneath, and there are two new brick chimneys. One of these is on the west inside end, while the other is on the outside of the east end. A large double-deck porch is located on the outside of the southern facade. It has a shed roof. The cellar at one time served as a kitchen and the wood lintels still remain over the windows.

West of the house is a small stone meathouse of uncoursed rubble that is quoined at the corners. It is one bay by one with 3 X 3 windows. The roof and the eaves have been replaced and the door is on the south side. The barn is west of the springhouse, with a stone foundation and vertical sheath planking. The roof is gabled and the ridgeline runs east-west. The inside beams are hand-hewn, with pegged mortise joints.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house, which dates from the middle of the last century, is unique in that it retains the high stone cellar that originally served as a kitchen. The house sits on a parcel that was devised from two tracts, Lines Tents and Lines Addition, which totalled 1500 acres when John Stump purchased the land from Thomas Harrison in 1783. This house was owned by the Smith family, Nathaniel Smith having bought this parcel of land from the same John Stump in 1813. Nathaniel was a descendant of Thomas Smith, the ferry operator. There were two houses occupied by the Smith family on the original property, the other being the adjacent Seaman house. The present Stephens residence was once occupied by the only married child of either Charles Coleman Smith or Thomas Smith during the mid-1800's. Also of interest is the pegging in the barn, which was built at a time when this practice was not as widespread as it once was.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Harford County Land Records
Martenet's Map of 1878

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 71.9

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The tract is located off of the northwest corner of the intersection of Graigs Corner and Wilkinson Roads, bounded on the east and the west by Susquehanna State Park Property and to the north by the lands of James A. Seaman.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paul L. Penrod/ site surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

May 26, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

267-1212

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

SUSQUEHANNA STATE PARK PROPERTY

Charles T. Stephens House.

Libre Folio

GRG 823 231

In 1969, Raymond S. Clark sold to Charles T. Stephens, Jr., 71.9 acres in all. This land originated from two different sources, mentioned here.

GRG 437 77

1. Roscoe L. West sold 82 acres to Raymond S. Clark in 1955.

GCB 291 171

In 1945, Alice W. Smith sold to Roscoe L. West 82 acres, more or less, in 1945. The tract was called Lyon's Tent or Lyon's Addition. This deed mentions that in 1933 Alice W. Smith sold a small strip of her land to Maude S. Parker (SWC 27 333). Otho Williams had willed Alice the property in 1904 (Will JA 15 354).

WSF 104 366

In 1902, Augustus Smith sold Otho Smith his 82-acre share of Lyon's Tents and Lyon's Addition that Augustus had inherited from his father, Thomas Smith.

WSF 109 62

In 1903, Thomas Ogden Smith sold Otho Smith his portion of Lyon's Tents and Lyon's Addition amounting to 82.5 acres. Thomas, like Augustus, had inherited the property from his father. Thomas Smith had apparently divided the tract equally between his sons.

HD 20 291

Nathaniel Smith sold , in 1838, 160 acres, more or less, of Lyon's Addition to his son, Thomas Smith.

HD X 274

In 1813, John Stump sold Nathaniel Smith 159 acres, more or less, of the tract called Lines Tent and Lines Addition. Stump had acquired had purchased this land as part of a huge transaction with Thomas Harrison.

GRG 483 338

2. In 1956, James E. Emerson sold to Raymond S. Clark a plot of land that he had gotten from two other sources:

GRG 434 46

2a. James E. Emerson bought 29 acres, one rood and 37 perches from Margaret S. Tollinger.

Will
RLW 23 192

In 1954, following her death, Katie Craig's will had deeded her 35 acres, more or less, which she called the Home Place, to Margaret S. Tollinger and Anna Lucretia Bowman.

SWC 251 369

In 1938, William D. and Katie Craig either leased, sold or rented (unclear) the 32 acres of Lion's Tents and Lion's Addition to Frederick Lee Cobourn.





Chas. Stephens House HA-383

4054 Wilkinson Road

Havre de Grace, MD

Paul Denrod

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South side



Chas. Stephen's Meathouse HA-383

4054 Wilkinson Road

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West side



Chas. Stephens Barn HA-383
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Southside